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TEASING DEATH IN NORTH END BLOCKS

Mrs. Wisk Ordered to Make Repairs or Submit to Arrest

CHILDREN ARE IN DANGER

Guard Rail Removed From Veranda
—Inflammable Material in Cellar of
12 Tenement Building—Family
Found Living in Filth.

Following numerous complaints as to alleged insanitary conditions, fire hazards and dangerous construction in the Mary Wisk tenement houses in the northwestern section of the city, Mayor A. M. Paonessa made a personal investigation in company with Chief William J. Noble of the fire department, and orders were issued to Mrs. Wisk to remedy conditions before Saturday of this week or steps will be taken to prosecute her.

The mayor conferred this morning with Dr. Richard W. Pullen, superintendent of the health department, and it is likely that a second inspection will be made today and additional orders issued to the property owner.

Six Children in Danger.
Mayor Paonessa found yesterday that in one of Mrs. Wisk's tenement houses at 59 Broad street, the railing had been removed from a veranda on the second floor, near a tenement occupied by a widow who has six small children. The children have access to the veranda and while there are constantly in danger of injury. The mayor asked Mrs. Wisk to make repairs before orders are issued from the office of the building commission, and changes were also ordered where stairs were found defective and other structural faults were encountered.

Inflammable Rubbish in Cellar.
At 143 Grove street, which is a 12-tenement house controlled by Mrs. Wisk, the city officials found piles of refuse, much of which is highly inflammable, in the basement. This included paint and tar. Several young men were on the premises making automobile repairs and carelessly smoking cigarettes. Orders were issued for changes.

Tenants Live in Filth.
In the rear of 67 Grove street, another tenement house owned by Mrs. Wisk was examined. In a basement, under what the officials considered the very worst of insanitary conditions, four tenants were found to be living. Alleged filthy conditions were ordered cleaned.

Mayor Paonessa and the fire chief talked over the situation with Mrs. Wisk. They issued orders for numerous changes and complete renovation, informing the property owner that a re-inspection will be made on Saturday.

Souney Wants Ordinance With Teeth.
Deputy Chief M. T. Souney, who is directing the work of the fire prevention bureau, called at the office of Mayor A. M. Paonessa this morning and discussed with the executive a proposed ordinance which would empower the police department to order tenants and yards cleaned, and in the event that the order is ignored, would allow the department to have the work done at the landlord's expense.

Chief Souney was interested primarily in the Wisk cases which are now pending. He informed the mayor, however, that landlords cannot be blamed entirely for conditions, citing the fact that yards at 36 and 40 Grove street were cleaned up two days ago by the landlord and are today as dirty as ever, this condition being caused by the tenants.

NAVAL OFFICERS NAMED

Lieutenant Brown and Chief Electricians Made Ray Held Responsible for Fatal Submarine Explosion.

San Pedro, Cal., Oct. 17.—Two officers of the submarine S-37, aboard which an explosion occurred last week resulting in the death of three men, were named defendants yesterday by the naval court of inquiry.

Lieutenant Harle H. Brown, chief engineer and electrical officer of the submarine, and Chief Electrician's Mate E. F. Ray, were named "Interested parties in the status of defendants," after testimony had brought out the fact that they had left the submarine in charge of an inexperienced man.

Testimony on behalf of the defendants will be heard when the court reconvenes today, it was announced.

LEAVES \$4,182.708 ESTATE.
Stanford, Oct. 17.—Executors of the estate of John B. Cobb, tobacco merchant, who died on a train while on his way from Hot Springs, Ark., to New York some time ago, filed in probate court today the inventory of the estate, which amounts to \$4,182,708.

CONFERS WITH POINCARÉ.
Paris, Oct. 17.—Herr von Hoesch, the German chargé d'affaires, arrived at the foreign office yesterday before noon today for his conference with Premier Poincaré which in some quarters was believed to forecast an important step in regard to the reparations problem.

FRENCH AND BELGIANS SHOW NO INTENTIONS OF LEAVING

Instead, Occupation Authorities Take Over Administration of German State Library, Quarters in Germany and No Railroad Men Return to Work.

Essen, Germany, Oct. 17.—The occupation authorities have requisitioned 219 furnished dwellings in Essen and have also demanded stable accommodations for 220 horses. This action is construed by the French and Belgians to remain here indefinitely.

Ninety-three trillion marks have been confiscated by the authorities at various points in the occupied area in the last ten days. The money in most cases was seized either while in transit or in possession of local branches of the Reichsbank although the biggest haul was made in a printing plant where a squad of French soldiers carried off 81 trillions of freshly printed marks.

In consequence of these continued confiscations of official and private money, consignments, the mines and industries of the Ruhr generally are seriously handicapped for funds with which to pay off their employees

and meet their ordinary requirements.

The acute currency shortage, which is also due in part to the cessation of official subsidies since the ending of the passive resistance campaign, has been the subject of informal discussions at Cologne between a committee of industrialists and the French authorities, the former declaring that the task of getting the Ruhr industries back into operation is being seriously impeded because of the lack of a circulating medium.

Düsseldorf, Oct. 17.—The German railroad men in the occupied area, who refused to work under the Franco-Belgian regime while the passive resistance program was in force, were assumed to be applying individually today for reinstatement, but at noon French headquarters here had no reports that the men had returned to work, as authorized last week by their unions and the minister of transport at Berlin.

Excuse Themselves By Saying That Law Prevented Them From Acting in Concert in Selling Coal—Want Greater Production.

By The Associated Press.
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Operators' Reply.
The operators, it is understood told the governor that the coal companies could not act in concert in selling coal, as this would violate the law and also lay themselves open to charges of monopoly. They told the governor they had to mine and sell coal within the law.

When the governor asked the operators if it would not be possible to establish their own retail selling establishment it is understood that they replied it would take years to bring about such an arrangement and that it would not clear the present situation. The operators, it was said, told the governor that if he would use his efforts in getting the anthracite miners to increase production the situation would become normally shortly.

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THE WEATHER
Hartford, Oct. 17.—Forecast for New Britain and vicinity: Fair, not much change in temperature tonight and Thursday; moderate winds mostly easterly.

COAL MEN REFUSE PINCHOT'S REQUEST

Some Operators Decline to Cease Giving Fuel to Profiteers

AUTHORITATIVE STATEMENT

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WAR CAMP FRAUDS PROSECUTION ENDS

Federal Judge's Adverse Decision Likely to Halt Further Action

RULED ON CAMP SHERMAN

Anyways, Action is to be Held up Pending Investigation—Grand Total Involved in Suits Amounts to About \$100,000,000.

Washington, Oct. 17.—The score of more of government prosecutions in war fraud cases involving construction of army cantonments probably will be halted in view of the decision yesterday by Federal Judge Slater, of Ohio, in a test case relating to Camp Sherman.

Program Held Up.
How seriously the decision ultimately will affect the war fraud prosecution program is yet to be determined, but it became known today that action would be suspended at least until counsel for the war contracts section of the department of justice has gone into the question at length and conferred with Attorney General Daugherty.

The Camp Sherman case and others already filed involve nearly \$60,000,000 and six more, bringing the total up to around \$100,000,000 have been prepared. Filing of the new proceedings probably will be held up until department officials have studied Judge Slater's decision, which held that the government's suits were not specific and that the cantonment buildings were not trustees for the government as contended by the government.

EXPLORERS HAVE TO CHEW OLD MOCCASINS FOR FOOD

Canadian Scientists Return After 4,000 Mile Trip Through Wilds—Magnetic Pole Observances

The Pas, Manitoba, Oct. 17.—Bringing back data of scientific observations of variation of the earth's magnetism and movement of the north magnetic pole, R. G. Maddill, assistant magnetician of Dominion Observatory, Ottawa; C. G. Nagy, of Winnipeg, and Phillip Rose of the Pas, today returned from a 4,000 mile trip through Canada's farthest north wilderness.

At many times according to Mr. Maddill, the party faced starvation and were forced to chew old moccasins, discarded socks and dried suckers. He said they had crossed land which had been trodden by white men last when Samuel Peary journeyed from Fort Prince of Wales to the mouth of the Copper Mine River in 1771.

The survey, Mr. Maddill said, was part of a world wide research into the laws governing the earth's magnetic forces, made necessary by the constant movement of the north magnetic pole. The party, he said, brought back important observations on movement of the magnetic pole, on changes in the dip and horizontal intensity of the earth's magnetic and the variation of the compass.

Discouraged, Worcester Man Takes His Own Life

Worcester, Oct. 17.—Mason H. Robbins, 32 years old, who had ambitions to be an artist and cartoonist, committed suicide today by cutting his throat with a razor in Inaugurate park. The young artist aspired to be a cartoonist but after his marriage nine years ago his drawings came back from the magazines and newspapers in such numbers that he was forced to seek employment in a wire mill to get enough money to live on. His dead body was found in the park and with it two notes to his wife, telling her of his discouragement and loathing for his work in the wire mill.

Maas Is Unable to Give Any Cause for Shooting

Greenwich, Oct. 17.—Milton A. Maas, wealthy chemical manufacturer of New York, mysteriously shot on the evening of October 11 while at the home of Mrs. Ida M. Leslie in Sound Beach was so far convalescent today that he was able to talk to callers and give a statement to the prosecuting officers. Mr. Maas could throw no light upon the assault. He said he heard Mrs. Leslie scream, she being on the street at the time, and he rushed to the front porch and was shot by a man just as he emerged from the door. He said he knew of no reason for the attack.

Standard Cuts Gas Price In New Jersey and Mass.

New York, Oct. 17.—Cuts in the price of gasoline in New Jersey and Massachusetts were announced today by the Standard Oil companies of New Jersey and New York and the Texas company, bringing their prices in line with those announced yesterday by the Gulf Refining company. The cut in New Jersey was two cents a gallon making the tank wagon price 15 1/2 cents a gallon. In Massachusetts the tank wagon price was reduced three cents a gallon to 15 cents.

LEFT \$8,537,234 ESTATE

Cincinnati, Oct. 17.—David B. Gamble of this city, who died in California a few months ago, left an estate appraised at \$8,537,234, it was announced today. Inventory of his estate shows that his largest holdings were in stock of the Procter & Gamble company of which he was for many years an official.

POLISH CITIZENS DEMAND CLEAN-UP IN FIFTH WARD; HIT AT BOOZE AND GANGS

GOVT. CAPTURES TOTAL \$150,000 IN TWO DAYS

Federal Cruiser Makes Another Rich Haul in Long Island Sound

New York, Oct. 17.—The 40-foot motor schooner, Three Links, carrying \$40,000 worth of whiskey and a crew of four, was captured today by a federal customs speed boat which was reported to have been assigned to special rum fleet duty.

With the capture of the Three Links, and of the Clarence and the Mirage yesterday, it became known that two speed boats, manned by special agents of the treasury department, have been cruising between the rum fleet and Long Island Sound since Sunday, under secret orders.

Thirty-two prisoners and whiskey with a bootleg value of \$150,000 were taken in the three captures. Both the Clarence and the Three Links were boarded off Montauk Point. The names of the government boats have been kept a close secret by local federal authorities.

The quartet in custody today included George Johnson of Newport, R. I., Harry Rubin of Brooklyn, owner of the Three Links, and two sailors, who lived aboard the craft. Six treasury department agents, under special Agent E. H. Esterbrook, manned the government boat.

LONG ISLAND FISHERMEN HOLD UP RUM SMUGGLERS

Take Entire Cargo of Liquor and Also Relieve Skipper of \$6,400 Good American Dollars.

Farmouth, N. S., Oct. 17.—Long Island sound fishermen turned high-jackers were the villains of a tale involving the theft of thousands of dollars in cash and liquor which Captain John Sims of the rum running Dominion packet related here today.

The Dominion packet lay with the rum fleet off Montauk Point, Long Island, with \$5,400 in the skipper's safe and \$20,000 worth of imported whiskey stowed between decks, according to the captain.

Two fishermen hopped up in a motor boat. They looked honest and when they hailed the Dominion packet, "How much for 100 cases?" Skipper Sims invited them aboard, into his cabin.

"Let's see," the captain mused, as he busied himself with the stub of a pencil. "One hundred cases will cost you—"

"Will cost us nothing," murmured one of the honest fishermen, digging a pistol into the skipper's ribs. The doughty captain, at the invitation of the gun, turned over the \$6,400 in cash. When he went on deck again, there was his crew with hands aloft and the other gunman standing by. Captain Sims said he had to stand by and see his whole cargo of liquor loaded into the fishermen's boat.

Then Captain Sims set sail for Farmouth, with nothing but the experience to show for what had promised to be a profitable voyage for himself and crew.

Receivers Named for the Columbia Graphophone Co.

New Haven, Oct. 17.—Federal Judge E. S. Thomas has appointed James R. Sheffield and Horace R. Willson of New York ancillary receivers for the Columbia Graphophone Co., being the receivers under appointment of Judge Hand, in New York. The company's net assets in this state are given at \$5,789,897.

"Wolf of Wall Street" Is Once More Behind Bars

Caldwell, N. J., Oct. 17.—David Lamar, the "Wolf of Wall Street" today began serving in the Essex county penitentiary a one year sentence for conspiring to restrain foreign commerce. He was brought to the penitentiary by Deputy United States Marshal Walker and a police officer of San Antonio, Texas, who accompanied Lamar from the Mexican border after his extradition from that country.

STEAMSHIP ARRIVALS

Minekahda, Antwerp, Oct. 14, New York.
Oreog, Hamburg, Oct. 15, New York.
Western World, Buenos Aires, Oct. 16, New York.
Sailed: President Jackson, Shanghai Oct. 16, Seattle.

TWO ARE ASPHYXIATED

Fall River, Mass., Oct. 17.—The bodies of John Watson and John Connelly, victims of gas asphyxiation, were found in Watson's home here today. Two other persons overcome by the gas fumes are expected to recover.

Send Petition to Common Council Asking Better Police Protection and Insisting on Closing Stores on Sunday

Drive Opens on Street Corner "Rowdies" — Merchants on Orange, Gold, Broad, Silver and Grove Streets Under Fire.

Tonight's session of the common council will receive a petition signed by Rev. Alexander Kowalczyk, president of the Polish Citizens committee, and a number of members of that committee, asking for better police protection in the northwestern section of the city; that street corner "rowdies" be restrained from congregating in that district; that closer attention be paid to the manufacture and sale of liquor; that stores on Orange, Gold, Broad, Silver and Grove streets be required to close on Sunday, and that better protection be given during the hours that children are going to and returning from school.

The petition follows: "Polish Citizens Committee on behalf of its numerous members living in the northwestern section of the city wishes to make the following request to the city officials: "1. That better police protection will be given in the 'Polish Section' of the city, especially along Broad, Gold, Silver, High and other streets in that locality. This protection is especially needed during the evenings and nights.

"2. That the street corners will not be obstructed by young rowdies, who often pass stirring remarks about the pedestrians and are causing disturbances during the night.

"3. A closer attention should be given to all persons manufacturing and selling alcoholic drinks.

"4. Notice should be given the prosecutor about maintaining the Sabbath Day. All the grocery and meat stores on Orange, Broad, Silver and Grove streets should be closed on Sundays.

"5. There should be a policeman stationed at the corner of Broad and Gold and at Gold and Orange streets, from 11:30 till 1:30 and from 3:30 to 4:00 to give ample protection to the 2000 children that are attending the Sacred Heart Parochial school. Such protection is given on other streets and at other schools where neither the traffic is so heavy nor the children so numerous."

WESTERNERS SHOOT FROM HIP AND BOTH FALL DEAD

Marshall, Texas, Constable and Sheriff in Fatal Street Duel—Bullets Pass in Air.

Marshall, Texas, Oct. 17.—The sheriff of Marion county and the constable of Jefferson met on the main street there last night and without a word shot each other to death.

Both men, B. B. Rodgers, the sheriff, and W. B. Proctor, the constable, were past 50 years of age.

The constable shoved the sheriff against a water hydrant, the few persons who witnessed the shooting told the police. But while the sheriff momentarily lost control of his legs, his hand gripped his pistol, whipped out the weapon and fired. He hit Proctor once in the hip and again in the heart.

Shots from the constable's pistol crossed with those of Rodgers. The constable shot the sheriff through the head while the latter was stumbling and slipping to the ground. Another bullet from the constable's weapon went wild. At that point the eye witnesses' story was hazy, the police said.

According to police, the trouble arose because court papers given the constable were not served.

Both men had families. They had long been residents of the county. Sheriff Rodgers was formerly county commissioner and Constable Proctor had served many years as a peace officer.

GERMAN CONSULATE CLOSED

St. Louis, Oct. 17.—Hugo Mupdt, German consul in St. Louis, announced he had today received a cablegram from Berlin directing him to close the local consulate indefinitely on account of the economic situation in Germany. Mupdt declared this was a part of a program of economy announced by Chancellor Stresemann.

STEEL MAN RESIGNS

New York, Oct. 17.—Dr. John A. Mathews has resigned as president of the Crucible Steel Co. of America, and E. C. Collins, assistant to H. S. Wilkinson, chairman of the board of directors, has been elected to succeed Dr. Mathews.